Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Godfrey Roberts and we are richer because Godfrey lives among us in Pierre, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Godfrey Meyer Roberts, Jr. was born August 30, 1923; and,

Whereas, Godfrey has distinguished himself as a businessman and community leader for over 50 years, serving as mayor of the city of Pierre, as well as tirelessly serving many civic and charitable organizations; and,

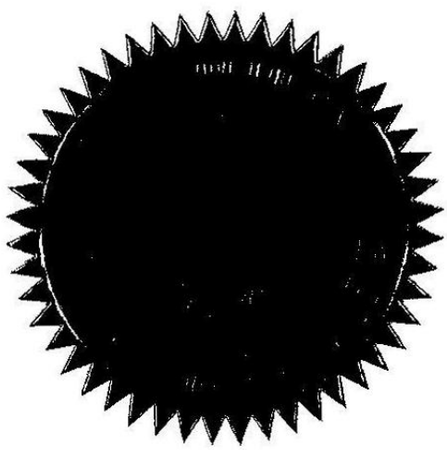
Whereas, Godfrey and Henrietta Rudolph Roberts shared the joy of marriage for 48 years, giving life and love to two children: Tom and Chris, and Godfrey continues to enjoy the love and affection of his quiet and well-behaved children and three grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Godfrey Meyer Roberts, Jr. will celebrate his 80th birthday on Saturday, August 30, 2003, and family and friends will gather on Saturday, September 6, 2003, to celebrate with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 6, 2003, as

GODFREY MEYER ROBERTS, JR. DAY

in South Dakota, and I join all his many friends and relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-ninth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State